

Claims:

1. A cushion suitable for use as a rail on a billiard table, said cushion comprising an extruded member having a cross-section which is selected from the group consisting of substantially triangular and substantially L-shaped.
- 5 2. A cushion as claimed in claim 1, wherein said cushion further comprises tape on at least one side of the cushion positioned for adhering the cushion to a billiard table.
3. A cushion as claimed in claim 2, wherein said tape is selected from the group consisting of hot bonded tape and cold bonded tape.
- 10 4. A cushion as claimed in claim 2, wherein said tape is co-extruded with said member to form said tape integrally with said member.
5. A cushion as claimed in claim 2, wherein said member has a Shore hardness of 25-45 on the A scale instantaneous, and rates 60-90 on the resilience test per ASTM standard D 2632-96.
- 15 6. A cushion as claimed in claim 5, wherein said member is made from Monprene®.
7. A cue which comprises a proximal end and distal end, the cue having a grip on the proximal end thereof and a tip for striking a ball on the distal end, wherein a distal portion of the cue has a weight which is about 50% to about 100% of the weight of the proximal portion of the cue.
- 20 8. A cue as claimed in claim 7, wherein the distal portion of the cue forms about 25 to about 50% of the length of the cue and the proximal portion of the cue forms the remainder of the cue.
9. A cue as claimed in claim 8, wherein the distal portion of the cue has a weight, which is about 60% to about 75% of the weight of the proximal portion of the cue.
- 25 10. A cue as claimed in claim 9, wherein the cue is divided into three sections, which sections are releasably attachable to one another and at least one of said three sections located in the distal portion of said cue has a substantially greater density than another of said three sections.
- 30 11. A cue as claimed in claim 10, wherein one of said three sections forms the entire distal portion of said cue.
12. A cue as claimed in claim 11, wherein the tip is releasably securable to the distal end of said cue.
13. A meter for metering a speed of a surface of a billiard table comprising a vertical tube which extends down and connects to a curved tube located in a base,

wherein said tubes are positioned such a ball placed in a top of the vertical tube will pass through the vertical tube, into the curved tube and out of the curved tube onto the surface of a billiard table.

14. A quick-change tip for a cue for use in billiards which comprises a surface for
5 striking a ball and an elastomeric material affixed to said surface and which is suitably sized to fit snugly over the distal end of a cue to releasably secure the tip to the cue for use.